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❖ Dr. Charles Desmond's Remarks Inspire Audience at All-College Meeting

Speaking at RCC's All-College Meeting held earlier this month, Dr. Charles Desmond, Chairman of the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education, declared that Roxbury Community College is vital to the Commonwealth's community college system and to the Roxbury community as a whole. Dr. Desmond praised the outstanding leadership of Interim President, Dr. Linda Edmonds Turner, and said that the College has the solid support of the Board of Higher Education. Those attending the meeting gave a round of applause when Dr. Desmond said that there are no plans to merge Roxbury Community College with any other community college.

❖ Governor Appoints Six New RCC Board of Trustee Members

Governor Deval Patrick appointed six new members to the Roxbury Community College Board of Trustees on September 6th and reappointed one other member whose term had ended. The new members are Kathy Taylor, Executive Director of The Black Philanthropy Fund, who will also be the new Chair of the RCC Board. Other Board members include Beth Williams, CEO of Roxbury Technology Corporation (RTC); Michael A. Curry, Legislative Affairs Director and Senior Counsel for the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers; Mark Culliton, CEO of College Bound Dorchester; Glynn Lloyd, Founder and CEO of City Fresh Foods, Inc. in Dorchester; Jeffery O. Greenberg, Associate Medical Director for the Brigham and Women's Physician Organization; and Steven Tompkins, Chief of External Affairs for the Suffolk County Sherriff's Department. Mr. Tompkins was reappointed to the Board.

* It's Not Too Late to Register for Autumn Access Classes

On October 1st Autumn Access classes begin at RCC. Individuals interested in enrolling in Autumn Access classes are encouraged to visit the Enrollment Center in the Administration Building (Building 2, Room 102).

* Fall Career Fair

Roxbury Community College and JobNet will co-sponsor a Fall 2012 Community Career Fair on October 23rd from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Fair will take place in Building 4, Room 200 at RCC. For more information, contact Irina Galatskaya at 617.933.7455 or e-mail her at igalatskaya@rcc.mass.edu.

❖ Elizabeth Warren to Hold Community Forum at RCC

Elizabeth Warren, Democrat for United States Senate, will hold a Community Forum at Roxbury Community College on Wednesday, September 26th at 7:00 p.m. The Forum will be held at the Media Arts Center. The Forum is hosted by, among others, the NAACP—New England Area Conference, the Black Ministerial Alliance, and the Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

RCC Students Help Track Roxbury History

Roxbury Community College students participating in last summer's Upward Bound Program worked along with art teacher, Neil Horsky, to develop volume 1 of "The Zine: Continuing the Millennium Trail." The original Millennium Trail was a federal program that created a network of trails to connect people to their history. The Zine takes readers on a new tour of Roxbury starting at the Southwest Corridor and finishing at the Malcolm X House on Dale Street. There are a total of four stops with a page in The Zine dedicated to each stop, with more stops planned for future volumes. You can find copies of The Zine at Haley House, City Feed, Roxbury Center for the Arts, Discover Roxbury, and the Papercut Zine Library.

Sports

The Roxbury Community College Women's Basketball Team became the first recipient of the Lisa K. Bodine Sports Foundation Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr. Institutional Excellence Award given to a sports program that promotes excellence in its student-athletics. Roscoe C. Brown is the former commander of the celebrated Tuskegee Airmen 332nd fighter group. Ms. Bodine, Executive Director, and granddaughter of Mr. Brown, said in choosing the Lady Tigers program, that "Under the leadership of Head Coach Mark Leszczyk, the RCC program has been competitive nationally and the program consistently sends players on to four-year colleges."

❖ Professor Susan Kalt Reports on Her Andes Research

Professor Susan Kalt recently presented a lecture/slideshow on the topic, "Endangered Languages and Us," to a captivated audience made up of RCC faculty and staff. Professor Kalt returned to RCC from a leave as a National Endowment for the Humanities Documenting Endangered Language Fellow in the Andes. Professor Kalt explored the question of how to preserve and promote language diversity.

